

**SUPREME COURT MINUTES  
WEDNESDAY, JUNE 9, 1999  
LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA**

The Supreme Court of California reconvened in its courtroom in the Ronald Reagan State Office Building, Third Floor, South Tower, 300 South Spring Street, Los Angeles, California, on June 9, 1999, at 9:00 p.m.

Present: Chief Justice Ronald M. George, presiding, and Associate Justices Mosk, Kennard, Baxter, Werdegarr, Chin, and Brown.

Officers present: Robert F. Wandruff, Clerk and Harry Kinney, Bailiff.

S044043      People, Respondent

v.

Frank Lee Soto, Appellant

Cause called. Richard Schwartzberg argued for Appellant.

Frederick R. Millar, Jr., Supervising Deputy Attorney General,  
argued for Respondent.

Mr. Schwartzberg replied.

Cause submitted.

S070177      Thomas M. White, Respondent

v.

Ultramar Incorporated, Appellant

Cause called. William J. Dritsas opened argument for Appellant.

Paul Grossman, appearing for Amicus Curiae California  
Employment Law Council, continued argument for Appellant.

Dale R. Larabee opened argument for Respondent.

Joseph Posner, appearing for Amicus Curiae California  
Employment Lawyers Association, continued argument for  
Respondent.

Mr. Dritsas replied.

Cause submitted.

S074181 People, Respondent

v.

Carl William Weiss, Appellant

Cause called. Stephen Gallenson argued for Appellant.

Ronald Niver, Deputy Attorney General, argued for Respondent.

Mr. Gallenson replied.

Cause submitted.

Court recessed until 1:30 p.m. this date.

Court reconvened pursuant to recess.

Members of the Court and Officers present as first shown.

S072212 Sierra Club et al., Appellants

v.

San Joaquin Local Agency Formation Commission, Respondent

Califia Development Group et al., Real Parties in Interest

Cause called. Susan Brandt-Hawley argued for Appellants.

Steven A. Herum argued for Respondent/Real Party in Interest.

Ms. Hawley replied.

Cause submitted.

S064081 People, Respondent

v.

Binh Phuoc Nguyen, Appellant

Cause called. L. M. Wijzen argued for Appellant.

Raymond A. Cardozo, Deputy Attorney General, argued for Respondent.

Mr. Wijzen replied.

Cause submitted.

S071633 Leo Norgart et al., Appellants

v.

Upjohn Company, Respondent

Cause called. Michael Healy argued for Respondent.

Peter Ticktin opened argument for Appellants.

Marc Stern continued argument for Appellants.

Mr. Healy replied.

Cause submitted.

Court adjourned.

S021331 People, Appellant

v.

Curtis Lee Ervin, Respondent

The "Request for Permission to File Appellant's Reply Brief Out of Time and for Permission to File a Supplemental Brief" is granted.

S073725 Jose Morillion et al., Appellants

v.

Royal Packing Company et al., Respondents

On application of respondents and good cause appearing, it is ordered that the time to serve and file the answer to amicus briefs is extended to and including June 19, 1999.

S073982 People, Respondent

v.

Arthur K. Snyder et al., Appellants

On application of respondent and good cause appearing, it is hereby ordered that the time to serve and file respondent's reply brief on the merits is extended to and including July 8, 1999.

No further extensions of time will be granted.

S041008 People, Respondent

v.

Jaime Armando Hoyos, Appellant

Upon request of appellant for appointment of counsel, Michael R. Snedeker is hereby appointed to represent appellant Jaime Armando Hoyos for the direct appeal in the above automatic appeal now pending in this court.

S077240      People, Respondent

v.

Richard Lane Ruse, Appellant

Upon request of appellant for appointment of counsel, George L. Schraer is hereby appointed to represent appellant on his appeal now pending in this court.

2nd Dist.  
B129996

In re Isaura G.

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Children and Family Services

v.

Arnulfo G.

The above-entitled matter, now pending in the Court of Appeal, Second Appellate District, is transferred from Division Three to Division Two.

2nd Dist.  
B130444

In re Juan M.

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Children and Family Services

v.

Otilia M.

The above-entitled matter, now pending in the Court of Appeal, Second Appellate District, is transferred from Division Two to Division Three.